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Georgia's Economic Outlook

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Georgia's economic trends



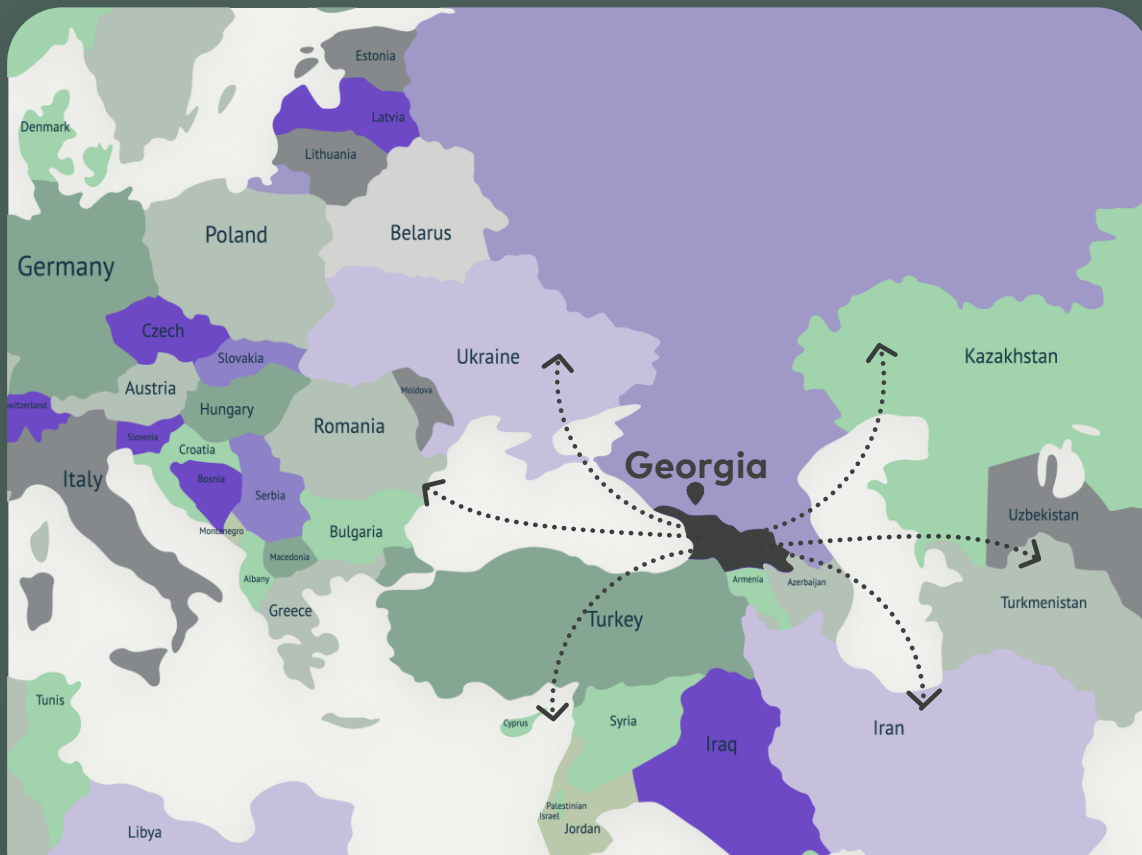
Inflation and monetary policy



Fiscal policy



Georgia – key figures



Population: **3.7 million**

Territory: **69,700 km²**

Capital: **Tbilisi**

Currency: **GEL**

Nominal GDP: **US\$ 33.8bn**

GDP per capita: **US\$ 9,141**

Real GDP 10y growth: **5.6%**

Inflation 10y average: **5.0%**



Sovereign credit ratings

Agency	MOODY'S	Fitch Ratings	S&P Global
Rating	Ba2	BB	BB



International rankings

Economic Freedom Index 2025: #35
Heritage Foundation

Corruption Perception Index 2024: #53
Transparency International

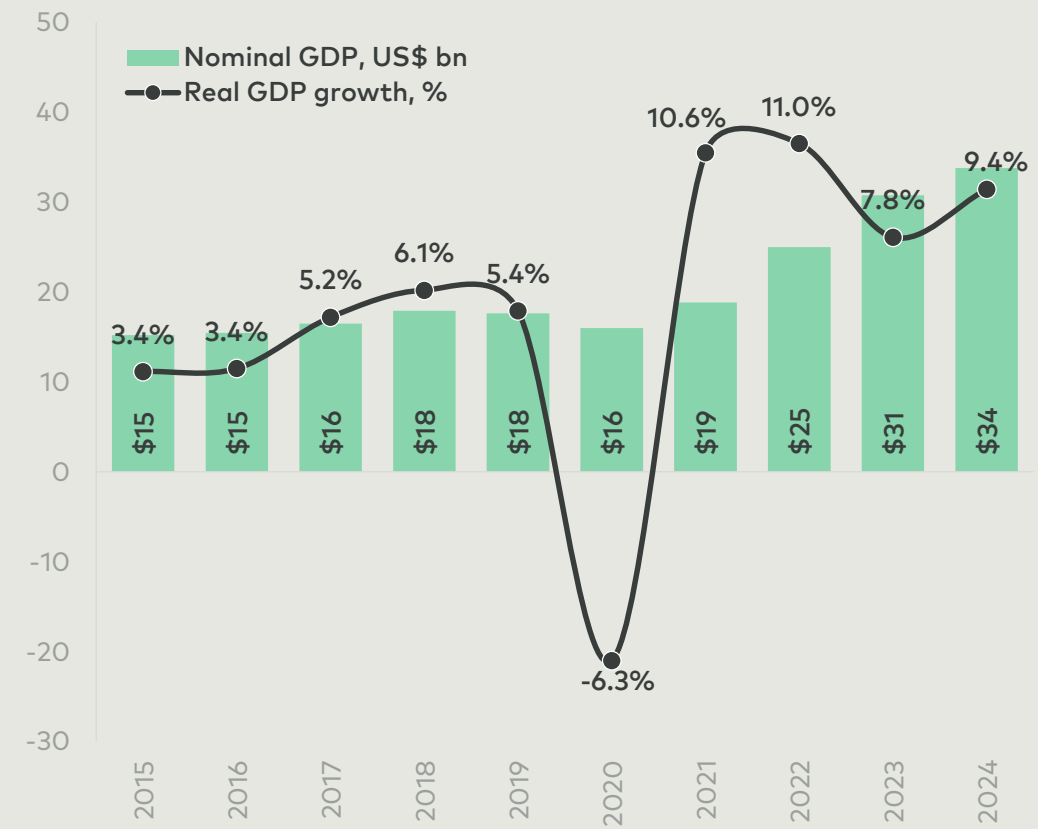
Business Bribery Risk Index 2024: #44
Trace International

Ease of Doing Business 2020: #7



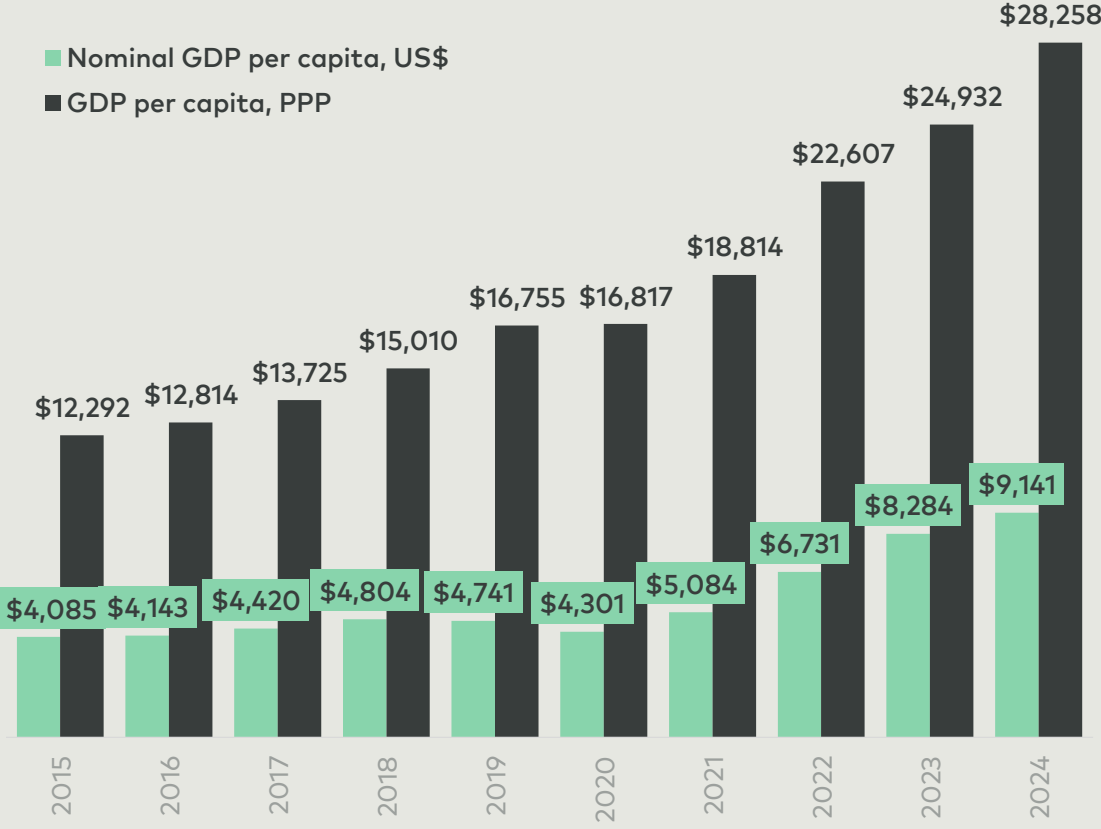
Georgia's economy has a proven track record of strong growth, with per capita GDP doubling between 2021–24

Gross domestic product



Source: Geostat, NBG, Galt & Taggart

GDP per capita

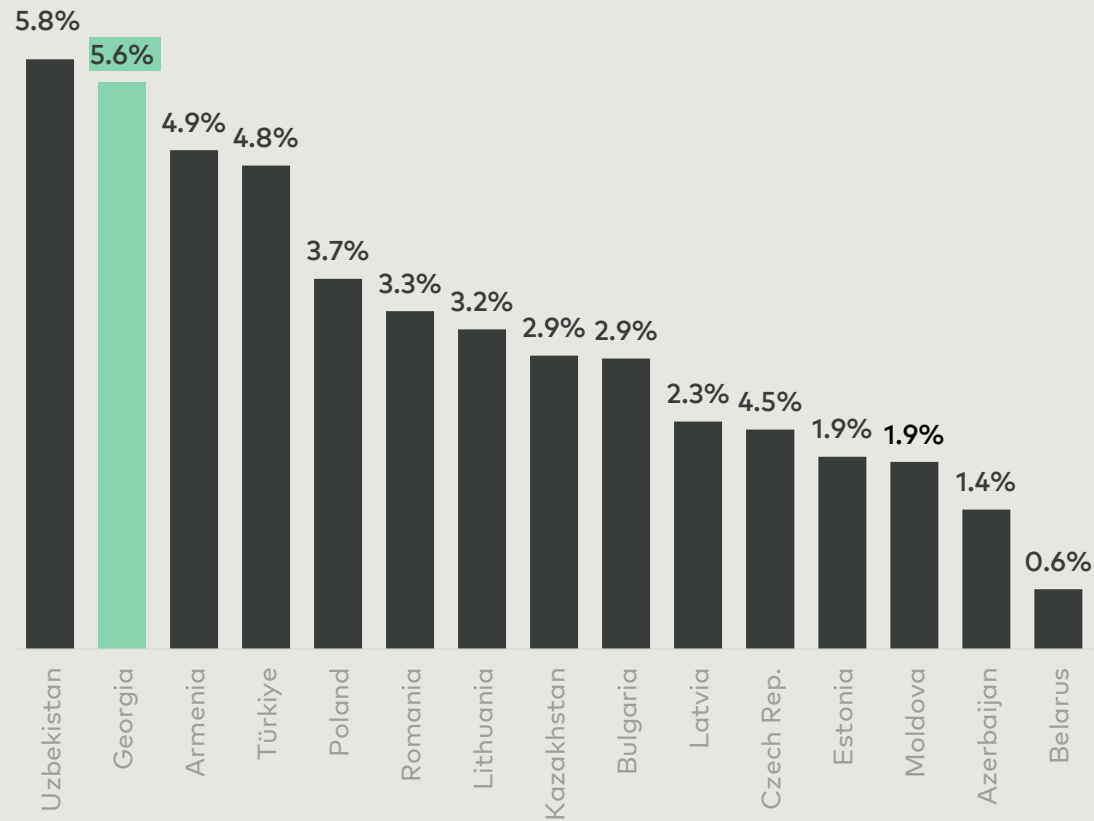


Source: IMF - World Economic Outlook, April 2025

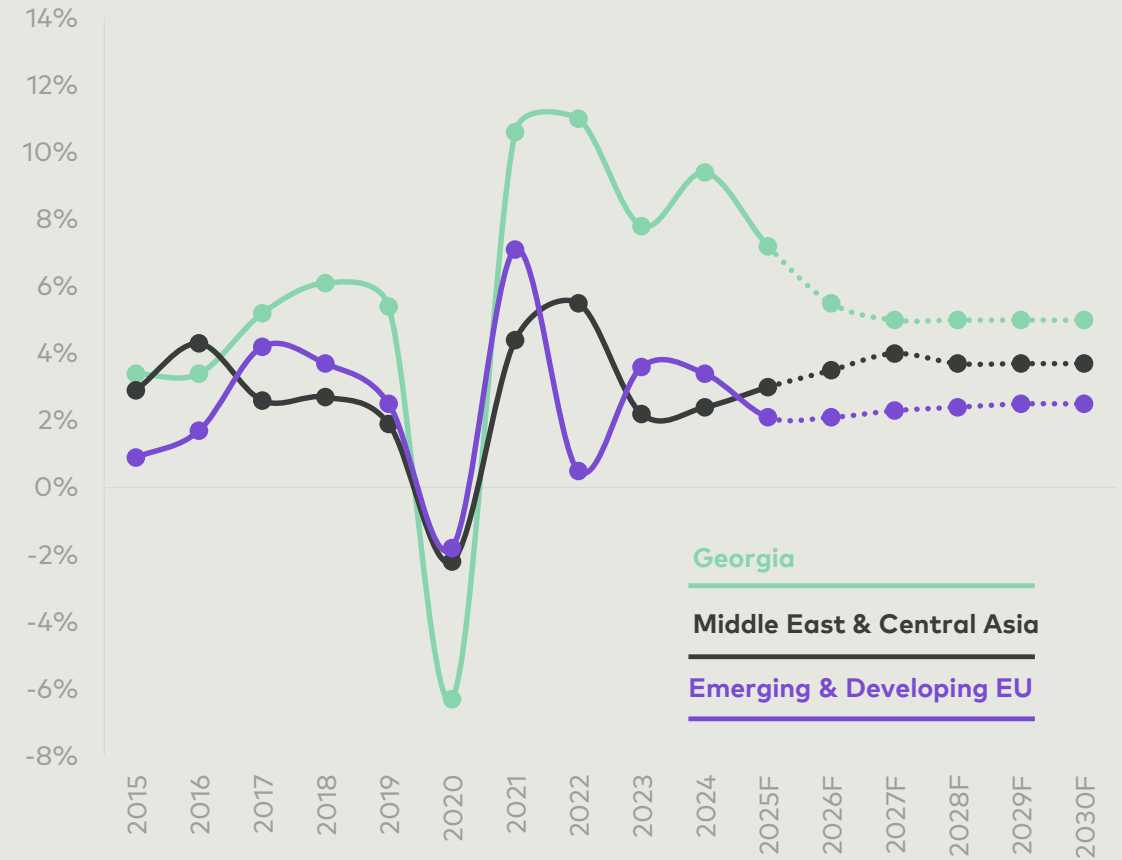


Georgia is fastest-growing economy in the region, resilient to global shocks, with average 5.2% growth expected over the next 5 years

Comparative real GDP growth rates, 2015-2024 average



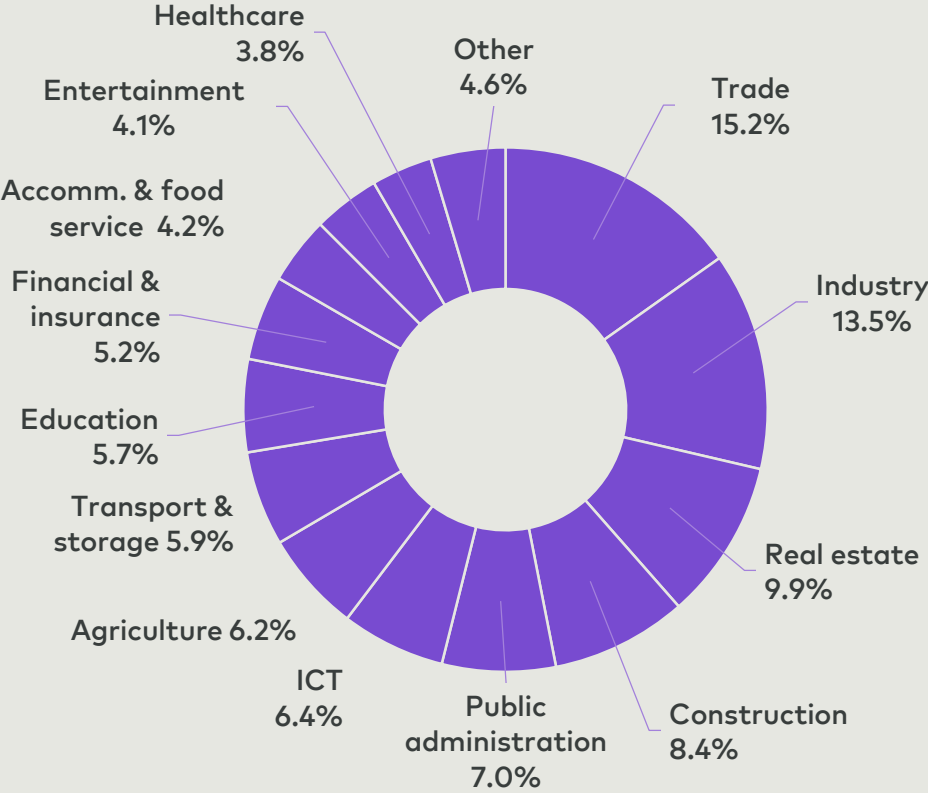
Real GDP growth projections





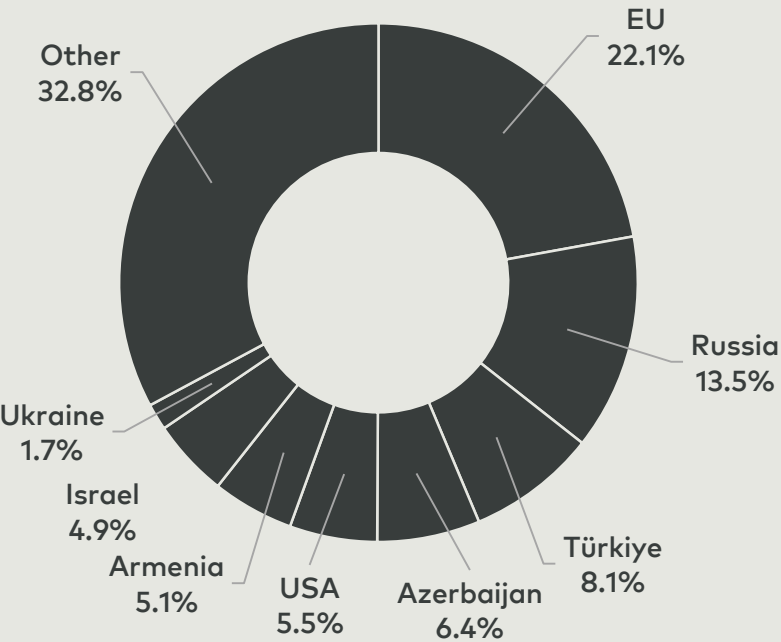
Georgia's strength comes from diversified economic base and diversified external economic linkages

Nominal GDP by sector, 2024



Source: Geostat

Exports, tourism, remittances and FDI by country in 2024, as of % of total

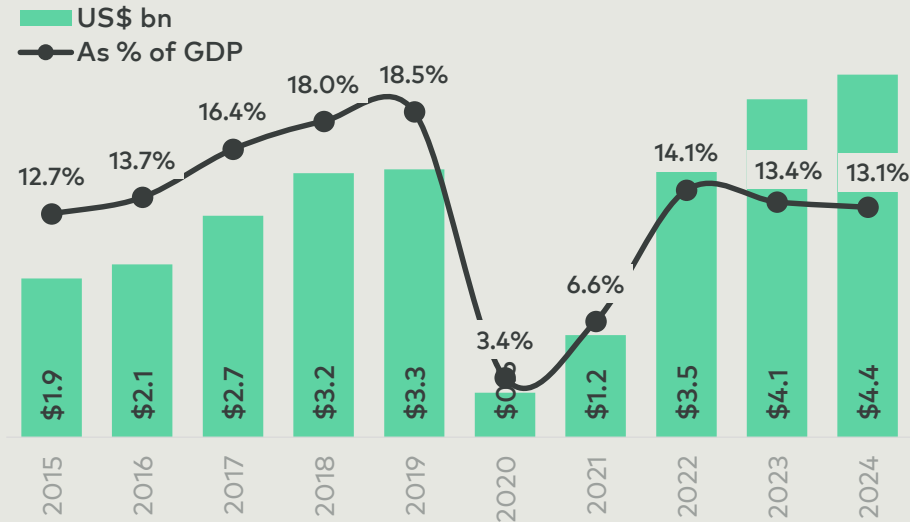


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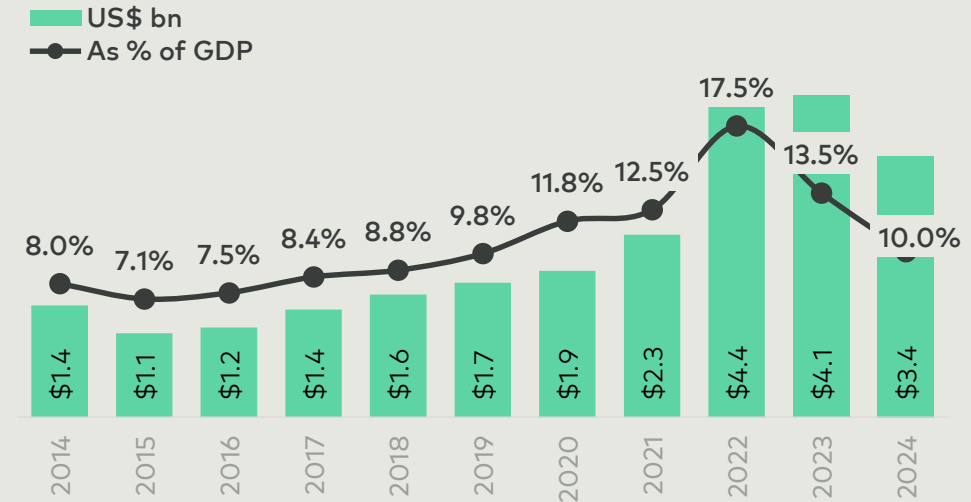


Tourism and money transfers are key source of hard currency; exports are dominated by car re-exports and metals/minerals

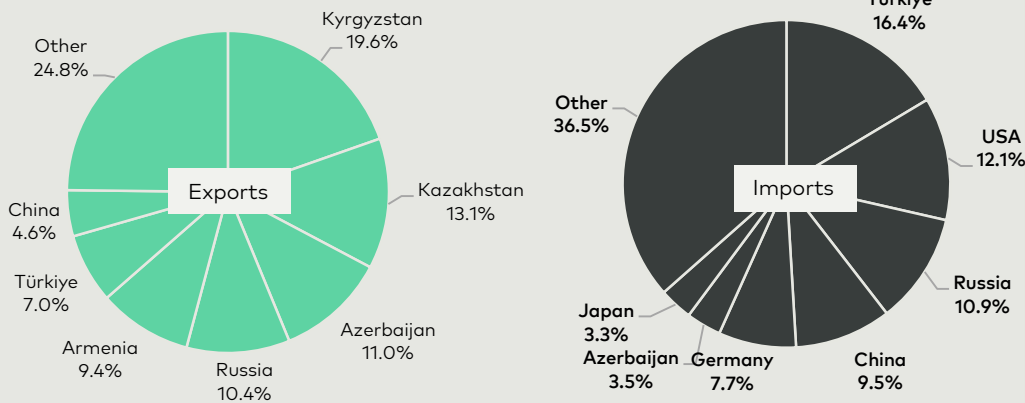
Tourism revenues



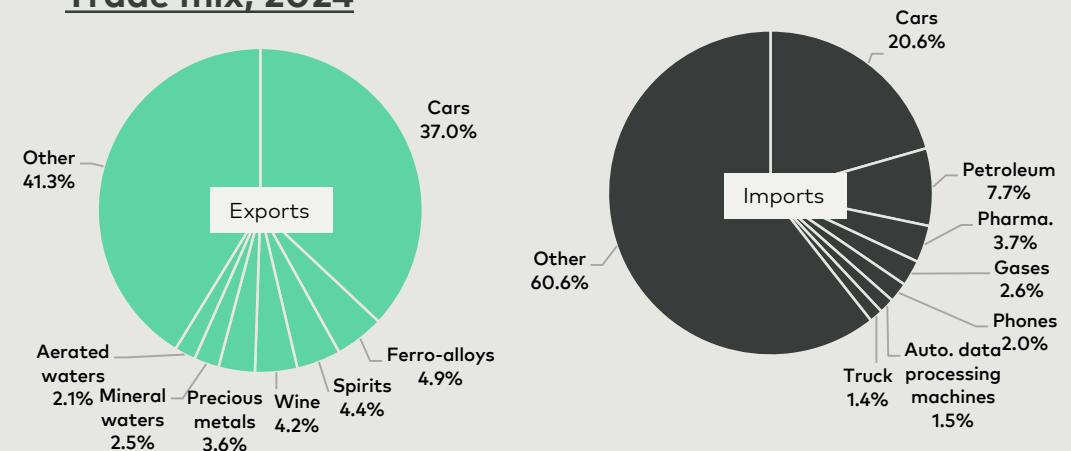
Money transfers



Trade partners, 2024



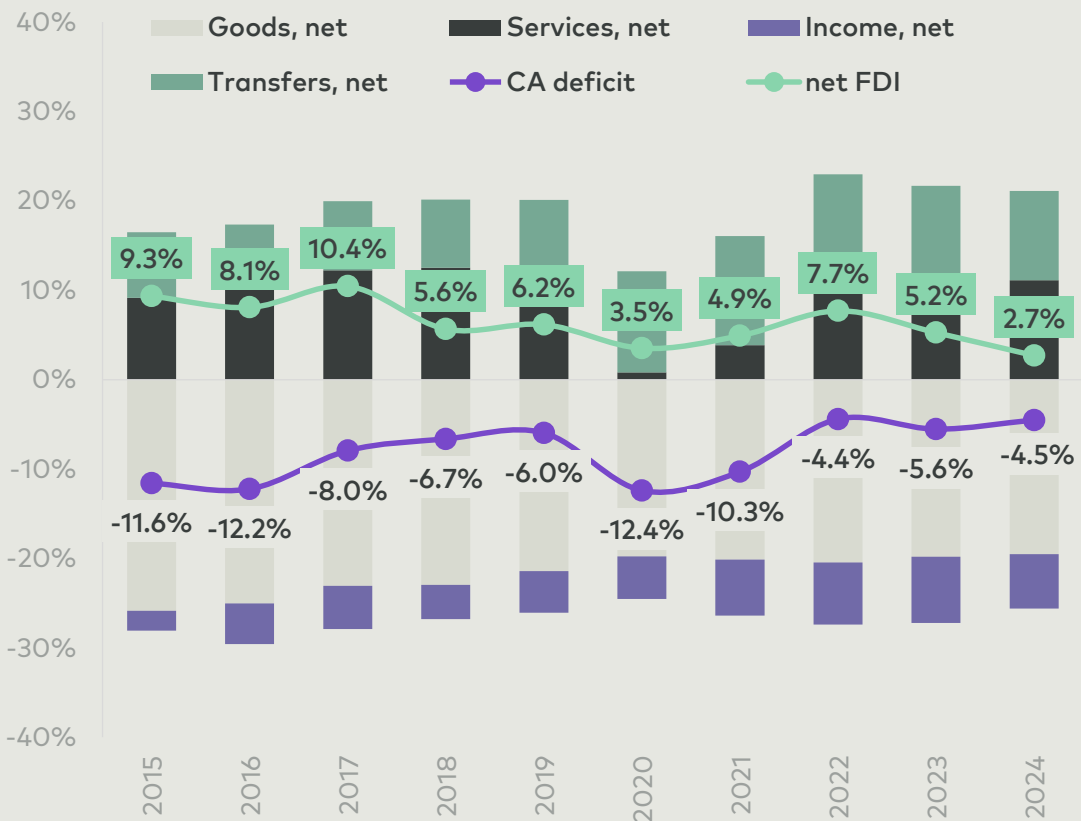
Trade mix, 2024





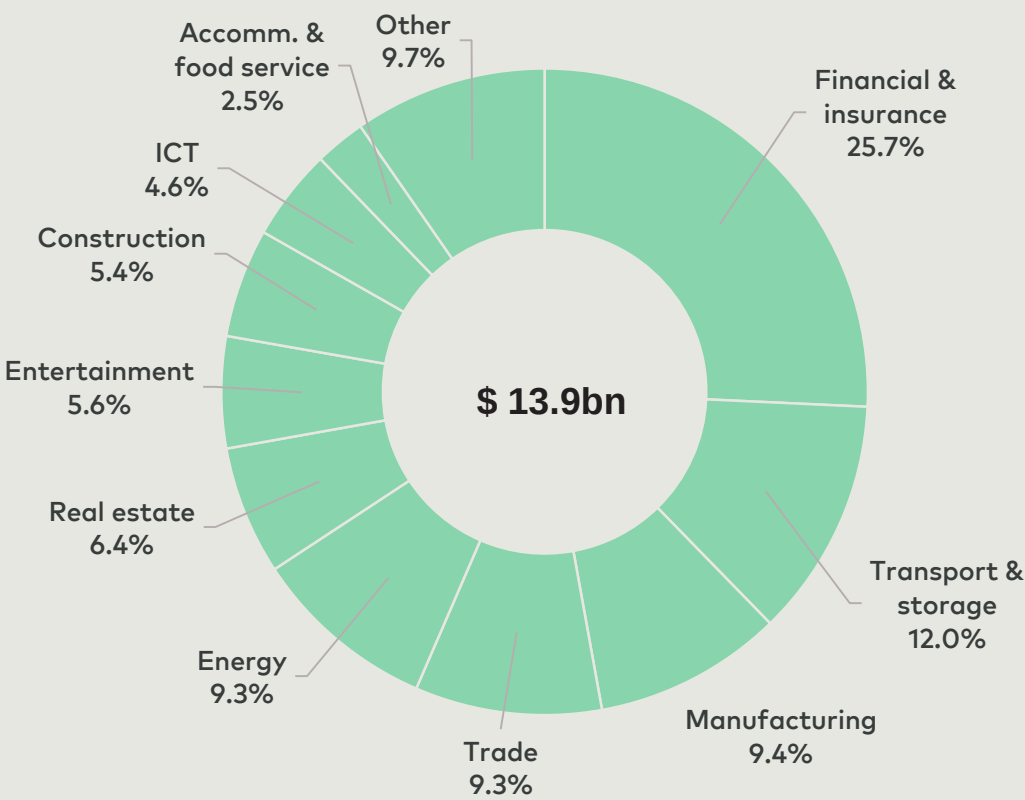
Current account deficit reduced in recent years, reflecting growth in services exports; FDI is a key source of deficit funding

Current account and net FDI, % of GDP



Source: NBG, Geostat

FDI by sector, cumulative 2016-2024

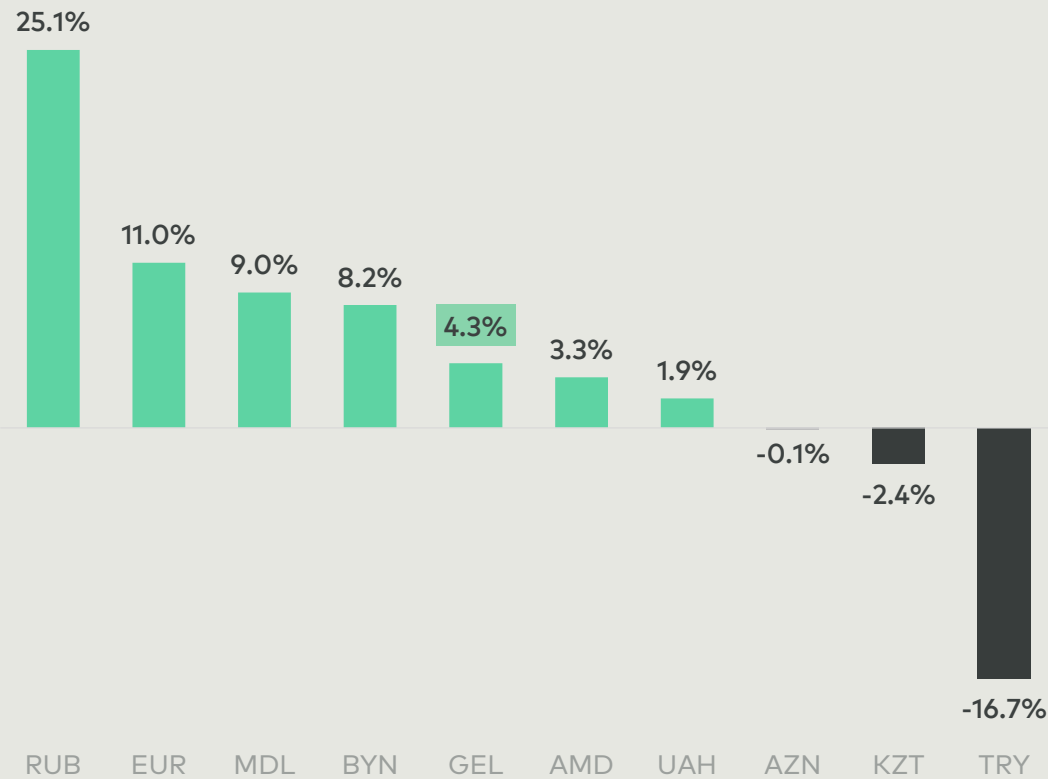


Source: NBG



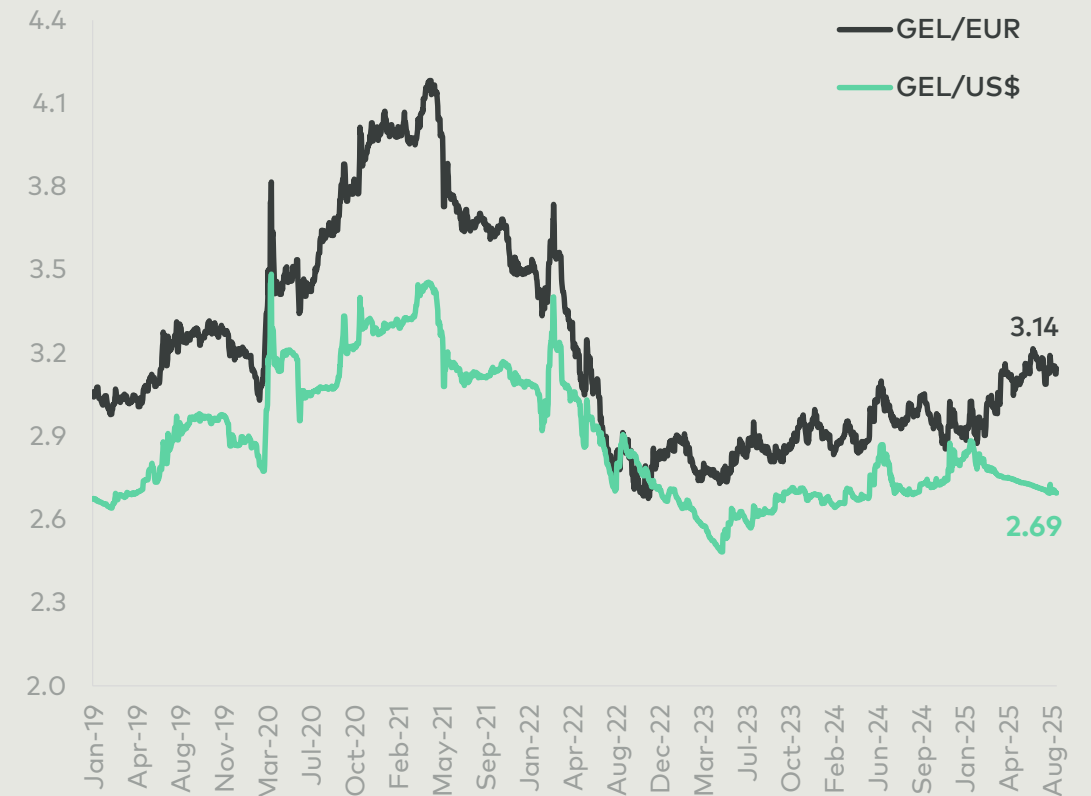
Georgia's floating exchange rate appreciated in recent years, amid strong growth and FX inflows

Currencies vs dollar, 1 Jan 2025 – 8 September 2025



Source: Bloomberg
Note: +/- means appreciation/depreciation vs. US\$

Average GEL/US\$ and GEL/EUR

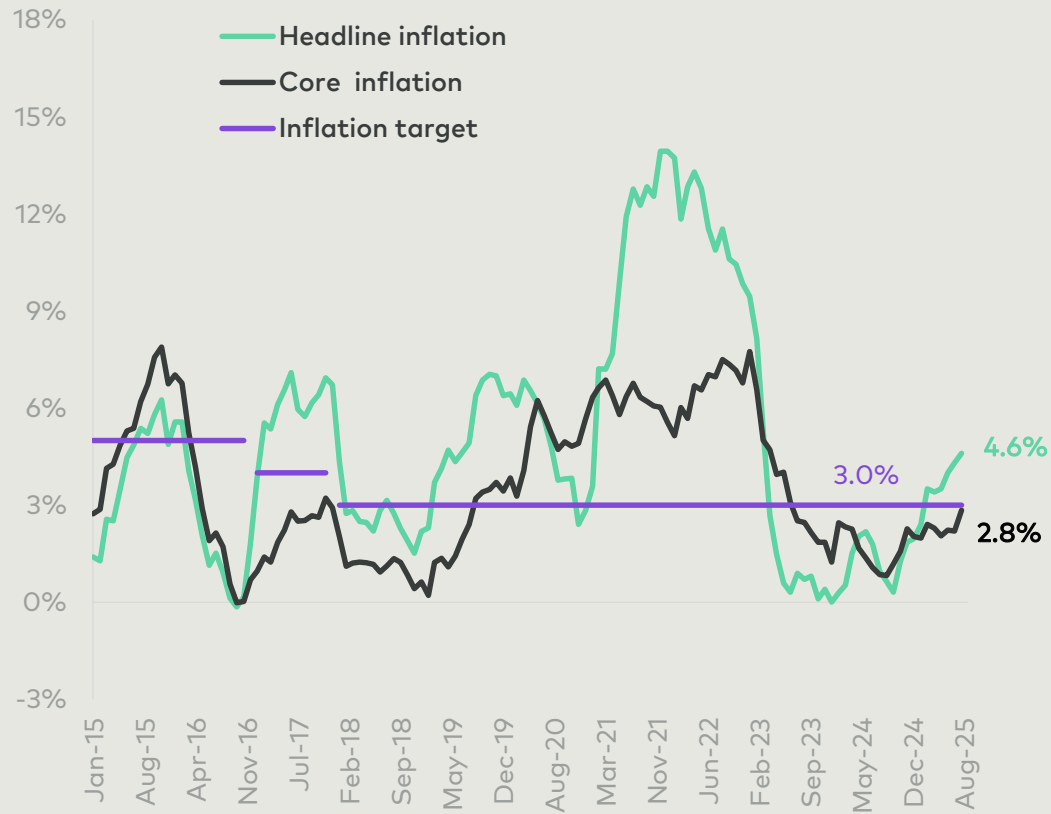


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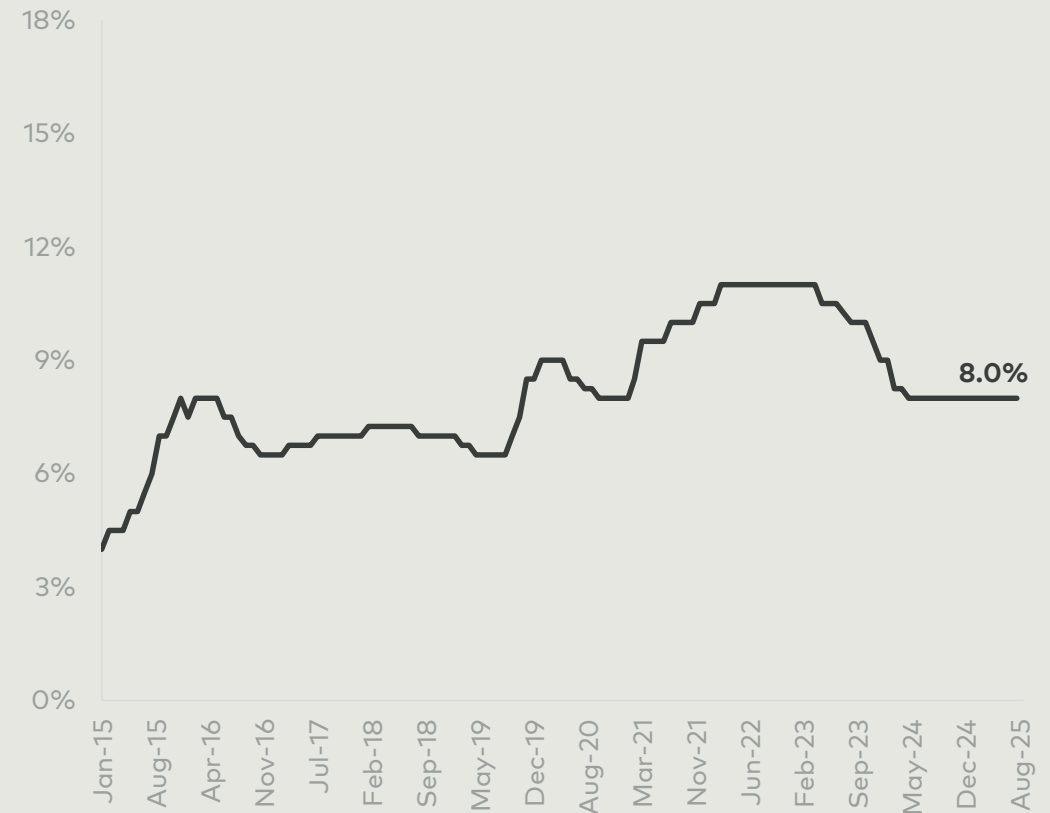


Inflation targeting regime since 2009; Headline inflation close to 3% target since 2023 enabling central bank to cut policy rate

Annual inflation



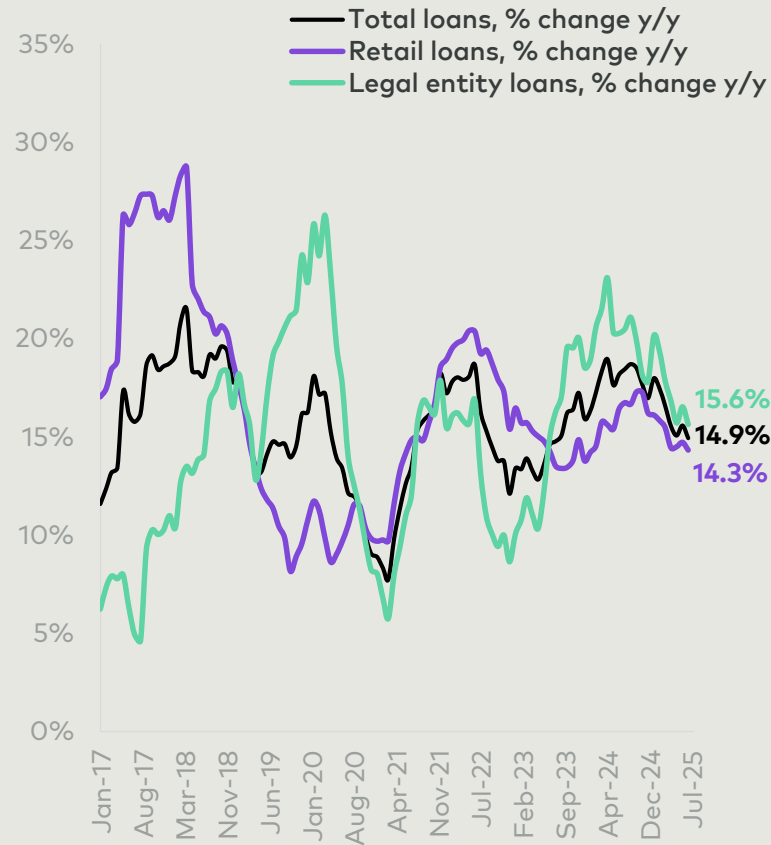
Monetary policy rate



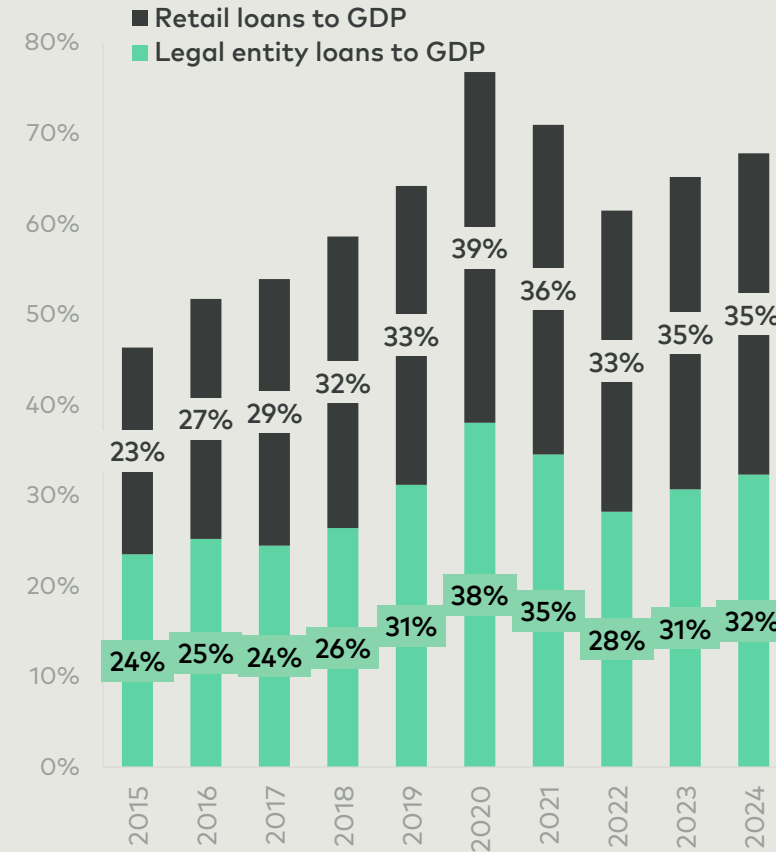


Banking sector on the solid footing: banks well-capitalized with low NPLs and healthy loan-book growth

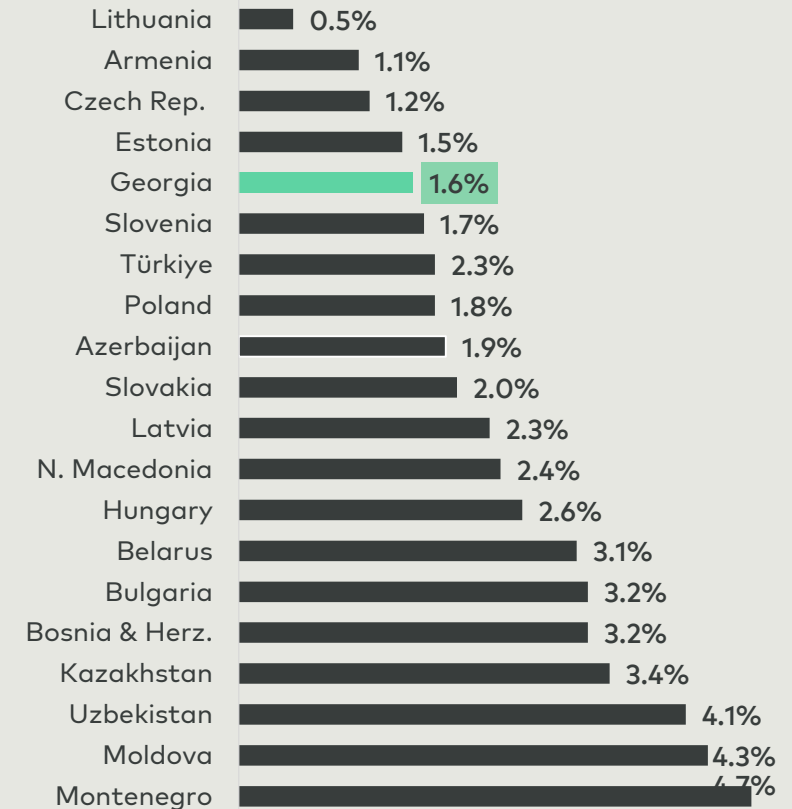
Loan book growth (exc. FX effect)



Banking sector retail & legal entity loans to GDP



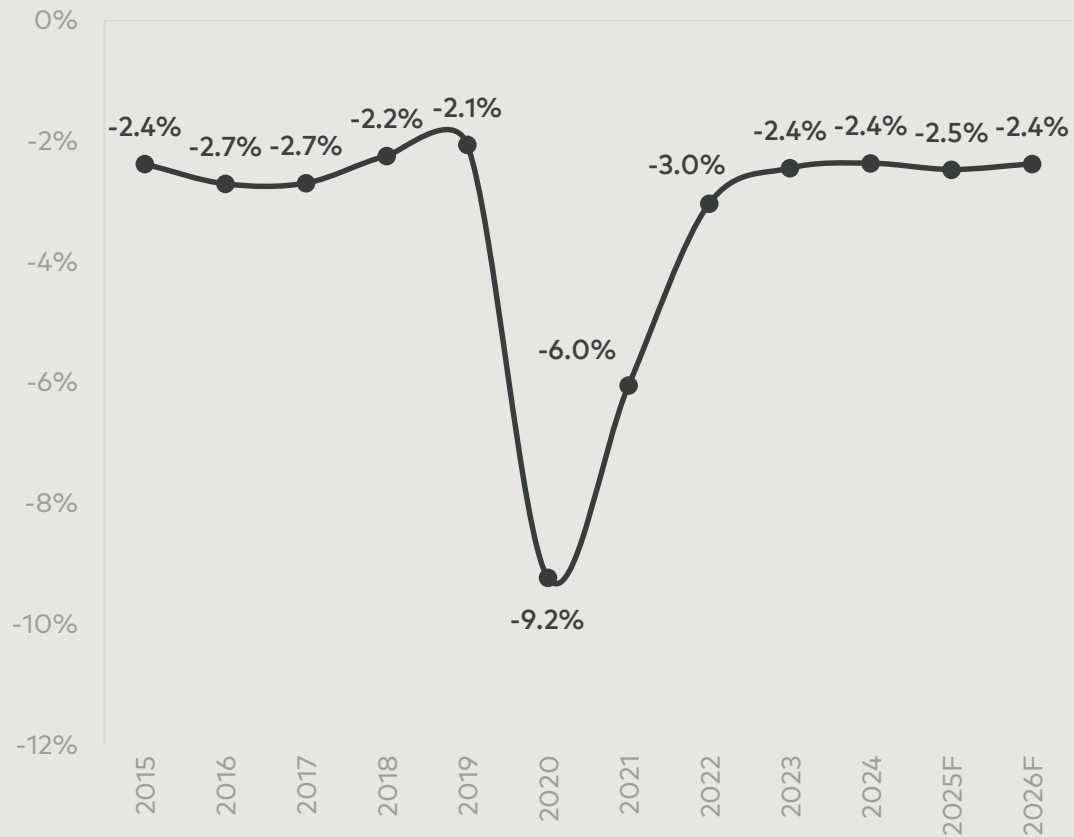
Non-performing loans, latest 2025





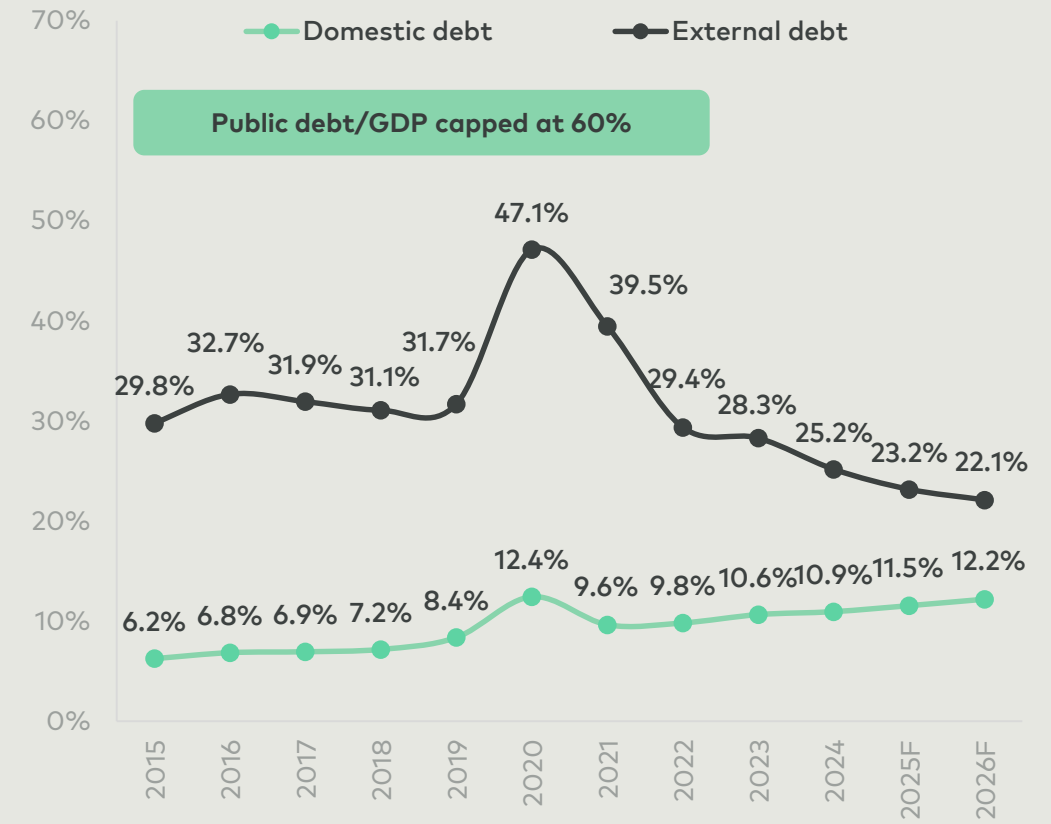
Fiscal framework is prudent - fiscal deficit below 3% of GDP and government debt below 40% of GDP

Fiscal deficit



Source: MOF, Geostat
Note: Fiscal deficit according to IMF program definition

Government debt as % of GDP

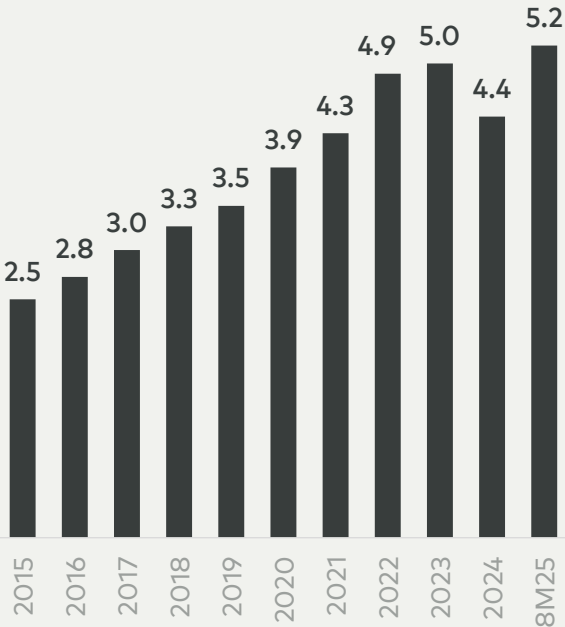


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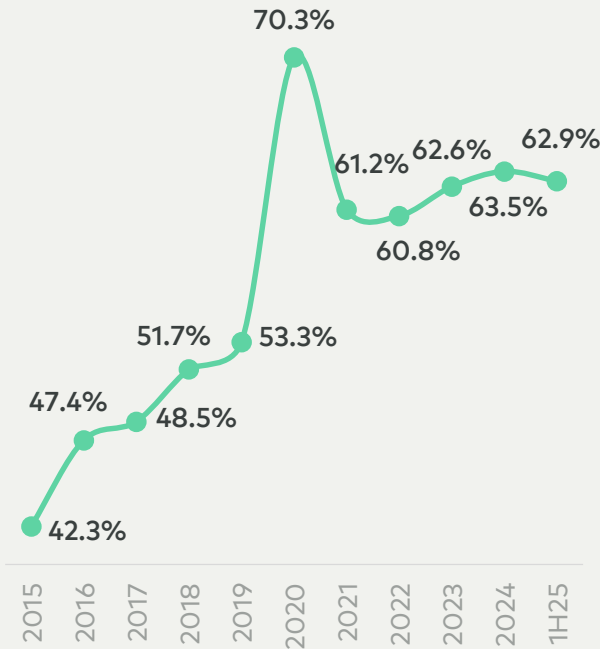


Georgia has adequate buffers to withstand potential shocks

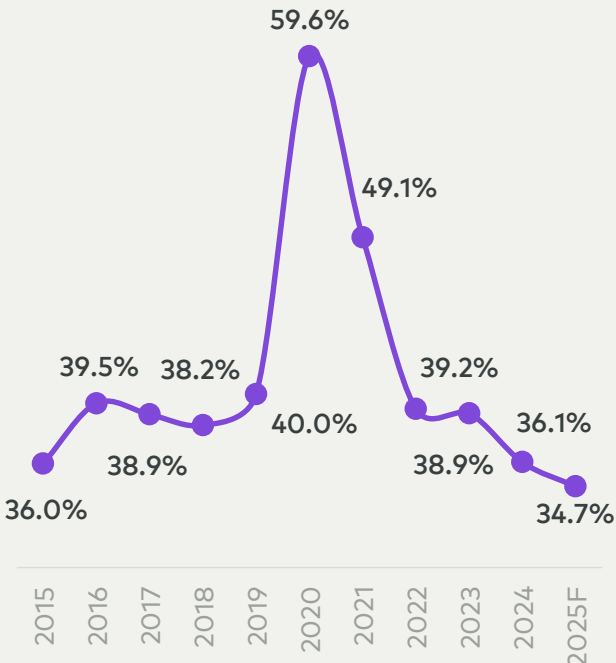
International reserves
\$ bn



Bank deposits
% of GDP



Government debt
%-of GDP





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Sector overview

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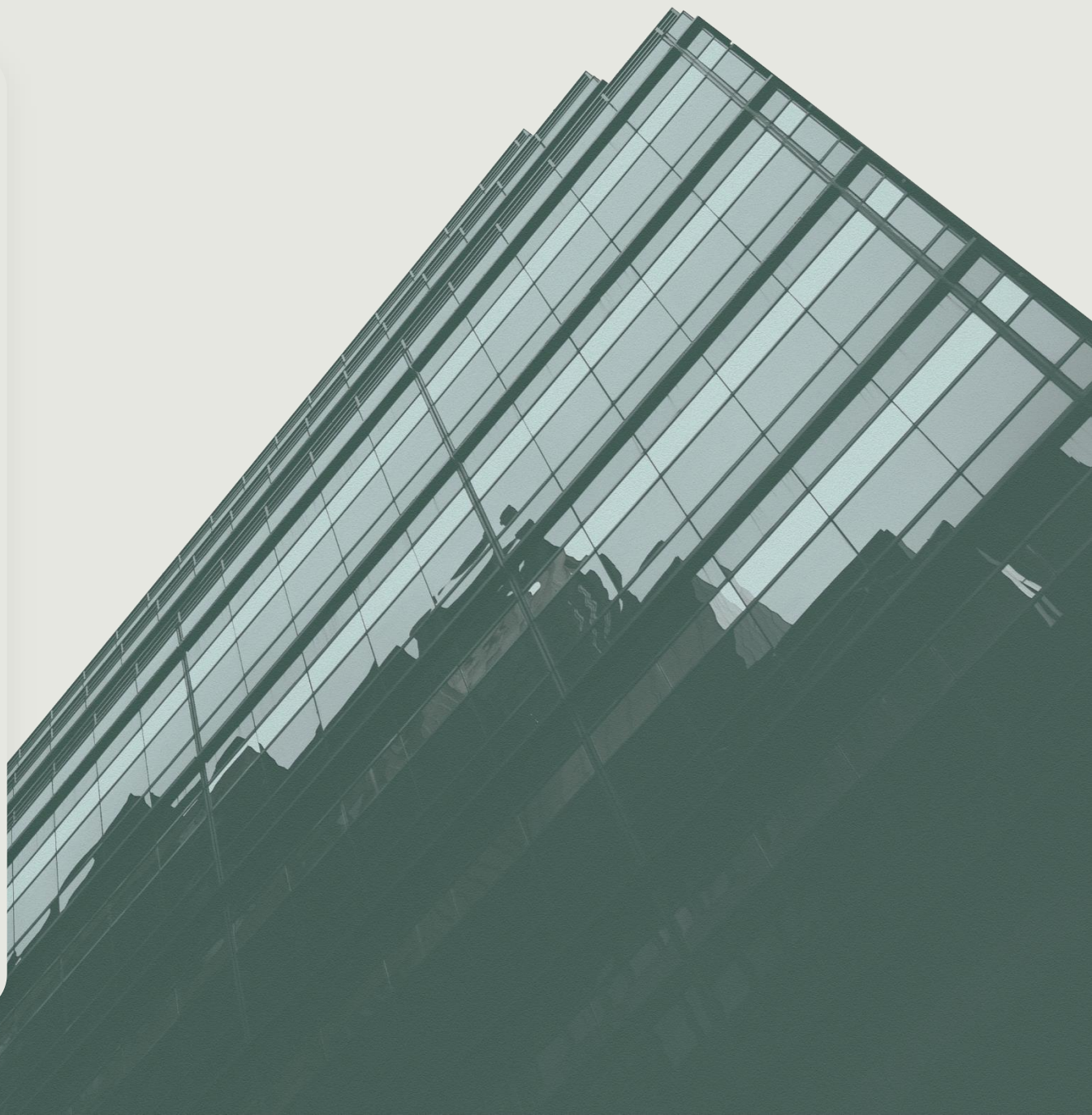
- Real estate market
- Tourism sector
- IT sector



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Real Estate



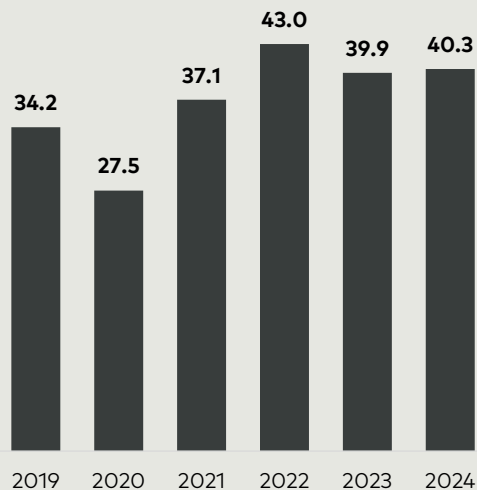


Tbilisi and Batumi are two real estate hotspots in Georgia

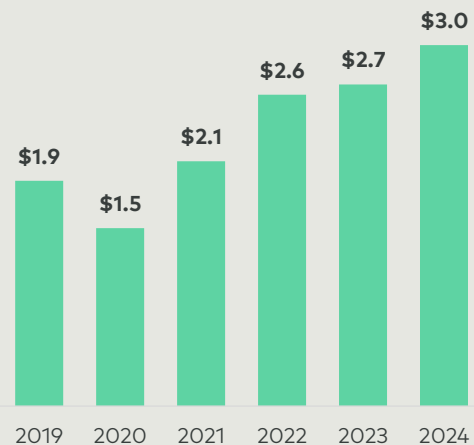


Tbilisi

Number of sold
apartments, '000

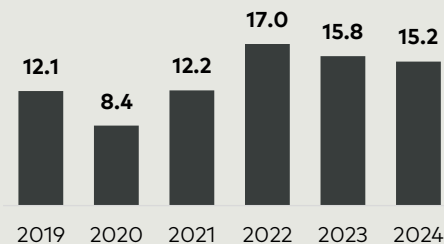


Market size
Bn \$

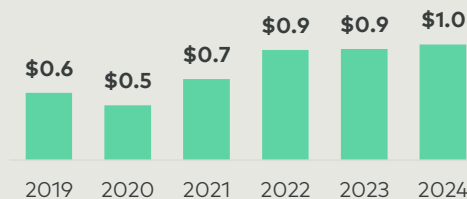


Batumi

Number of sold
apartments, '000



Market size
Bn \$





Both markets are attractive for investment purposes, with a high interest from foreigners



Demand drivers

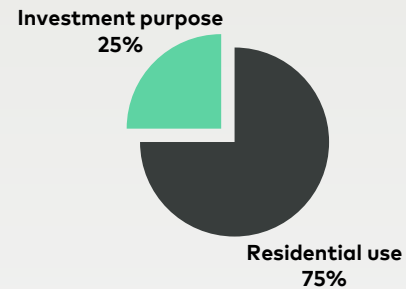


Average size of
apartment



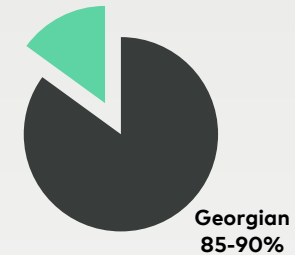
Sales
by citizenship

Tbilisi

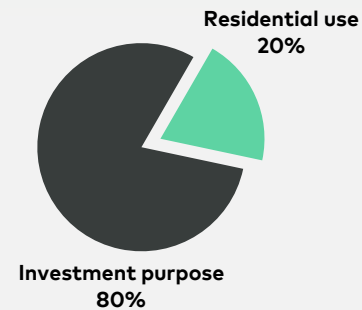


70 sq.m.

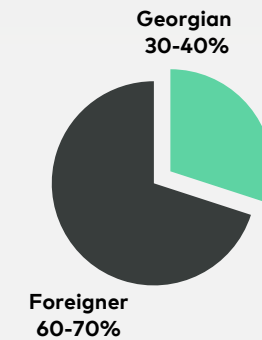
Foreigner
10-15%



Batumi



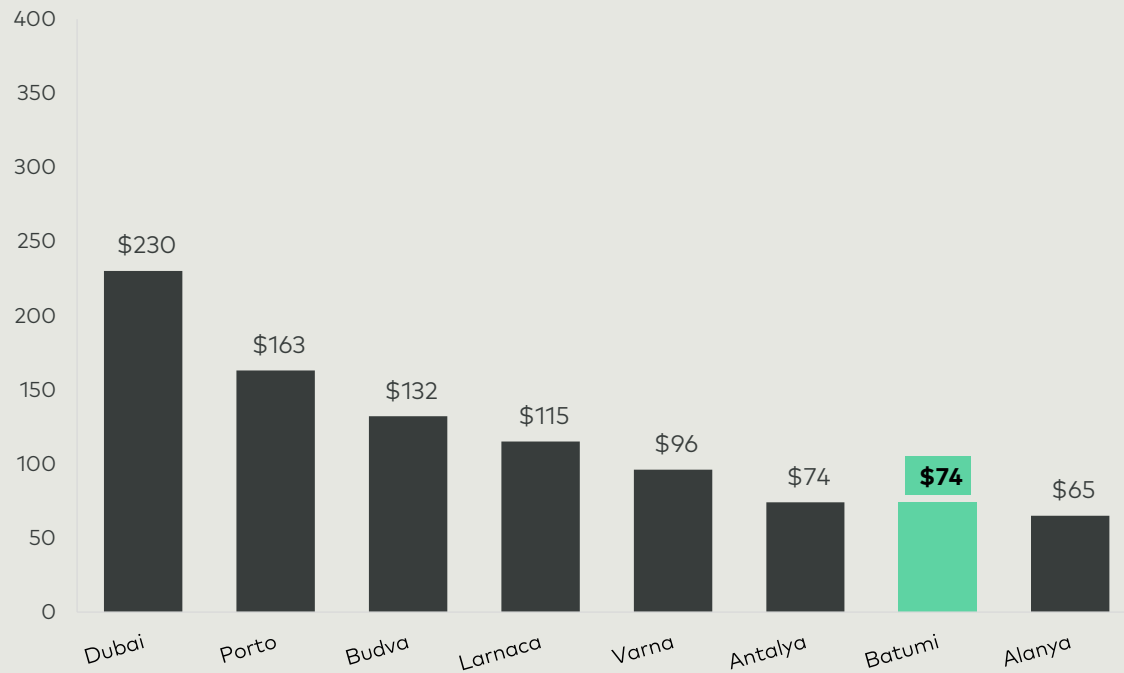
40 sq.m.



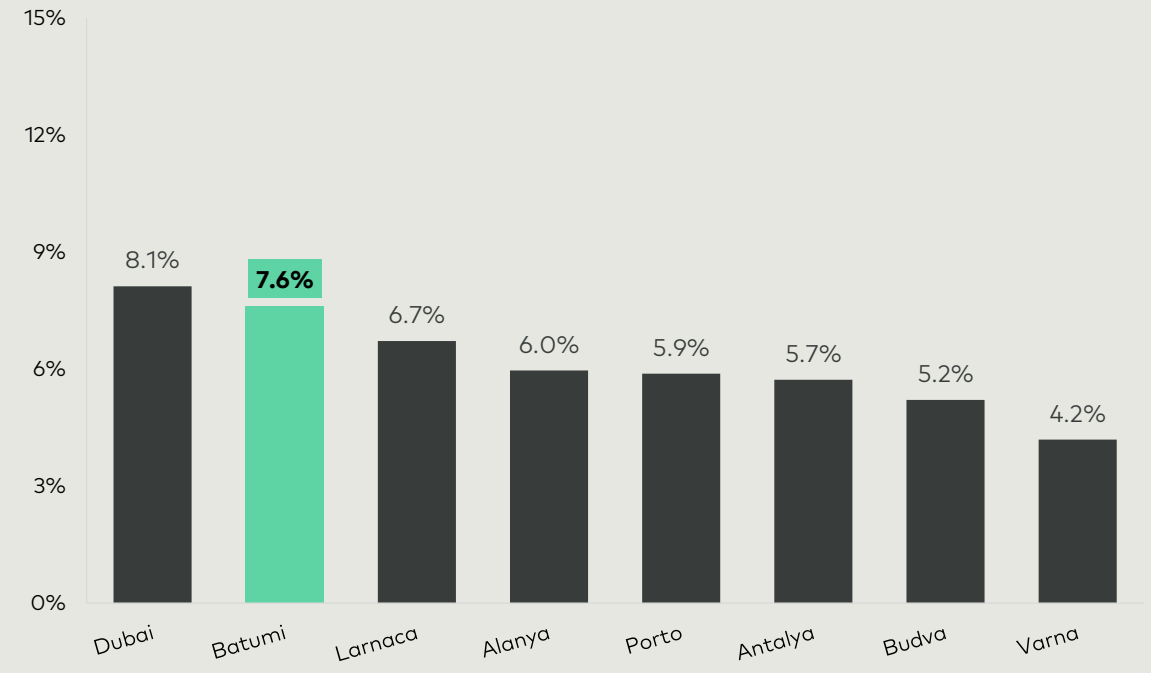


Batumi real estate is cheaper than other coastal cities, with attractive yields

Average price of 40 sq.m. apartment in comparable cities
in Aug-25, '000 US\$



Average rental yield for 40 sq.m. apartment in peer cities,
Aug-25



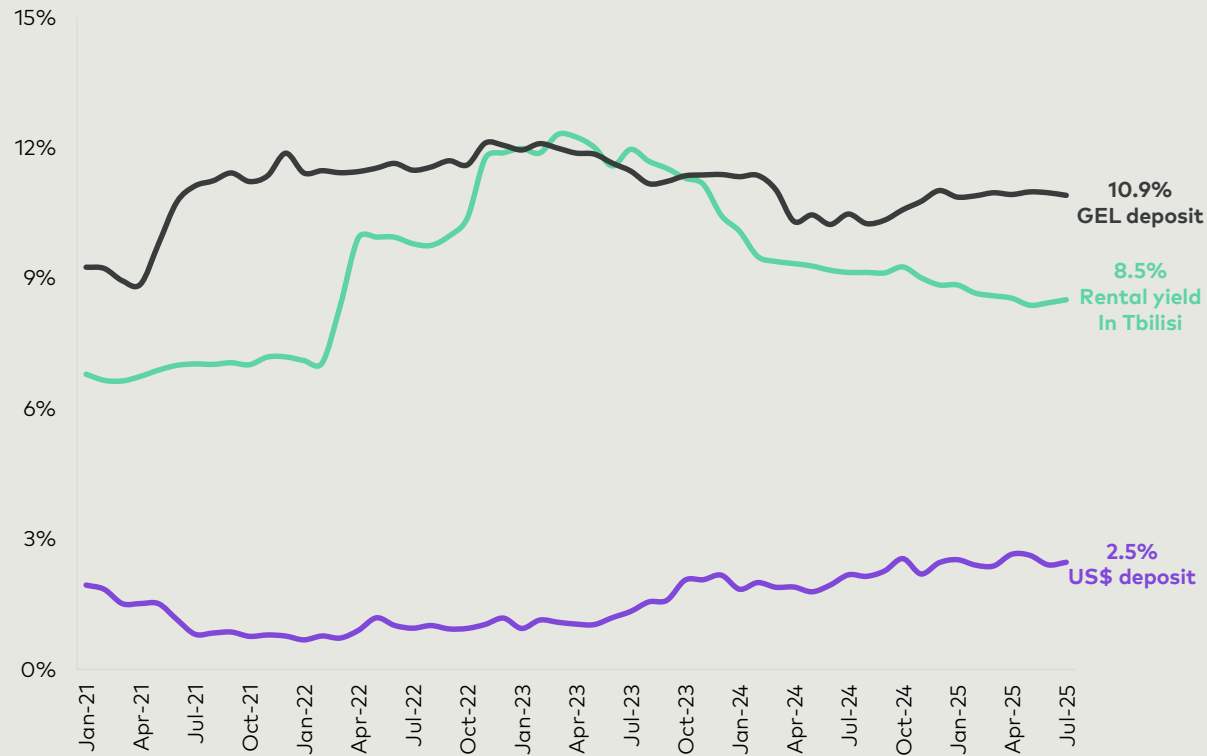
Source: Numbeo, Galt & Taggart

Note: Prices are given for turnkey apartments

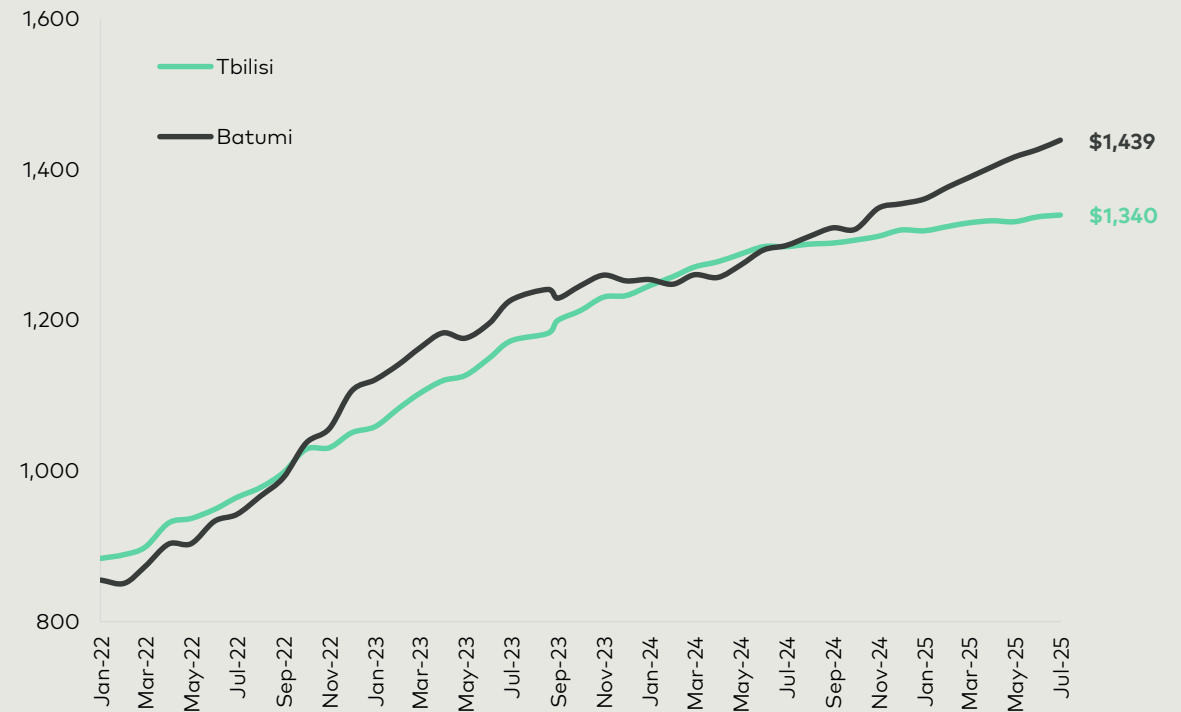


High yields and capital gain create attractive investment environment

Tbilisi rental yield and GEL/\$ deposit rates, %



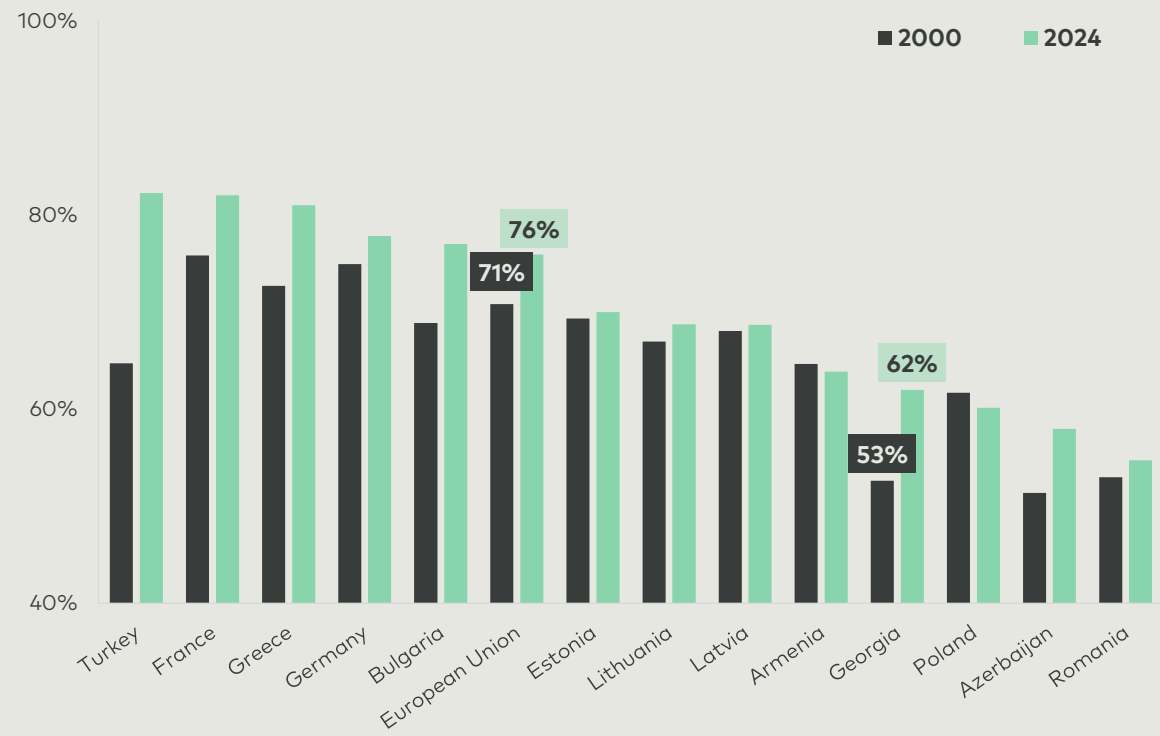
Real estate weighted average prices on the primary market by city, US\$/sq.m.



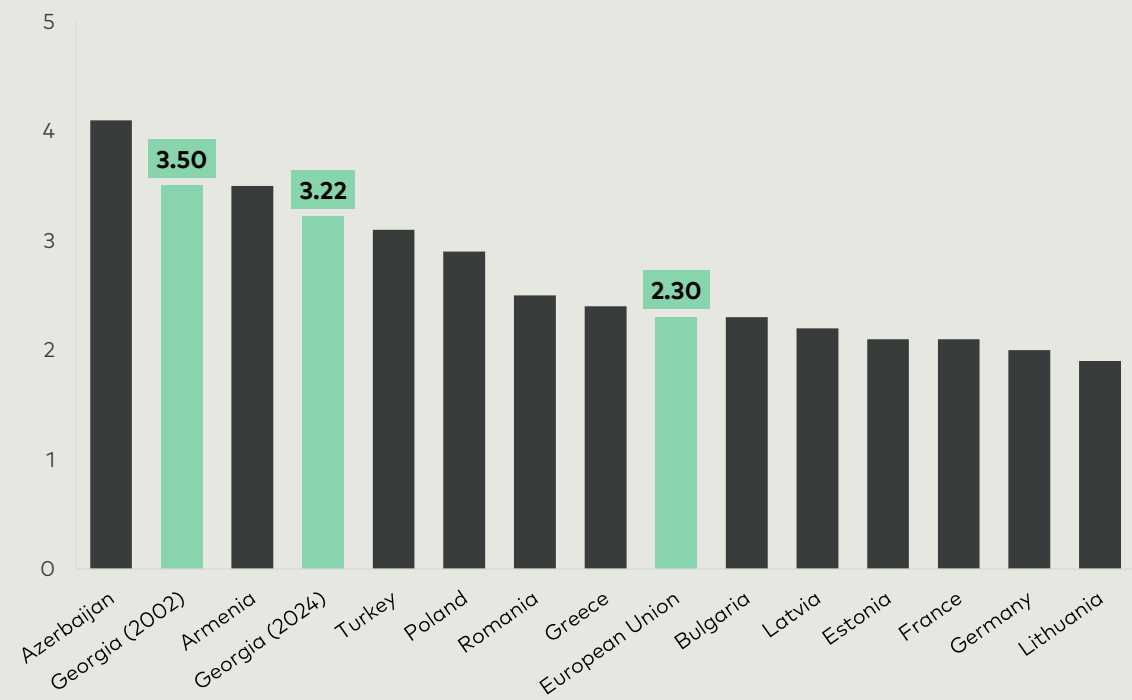


Besides investment attractiveness, urbanization growth and shrinking household size drive fundamental housing demand

Urbanization rate in Georgia and other countries, %



Average household size in Georgia and other countries, 2024

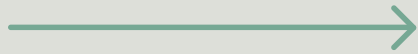


Source: World bank, Eurostat, Geostat, Galt & Taggart
Note: Urbanization rate for 2024 in comparable countries is preliminary data



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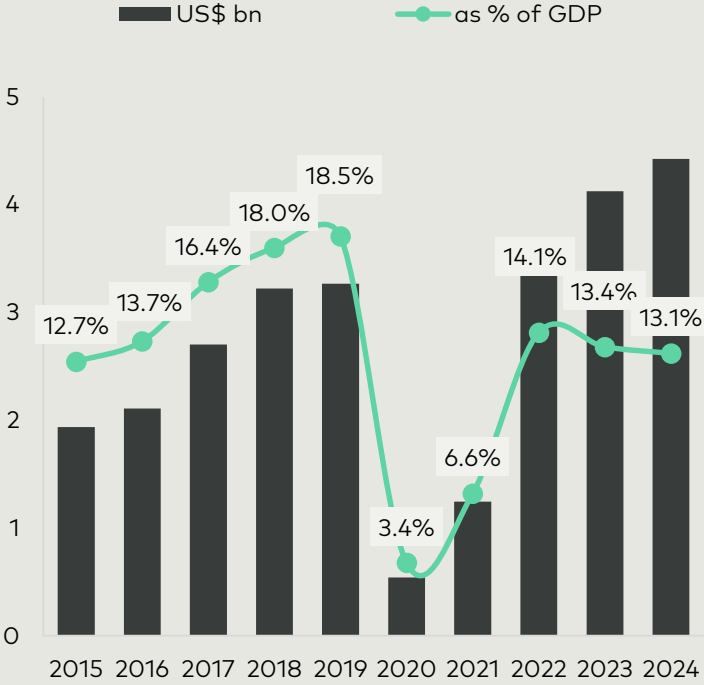
Tourism





Georgia is a popular tourist destination, and both arrivals and revenues are on the rise

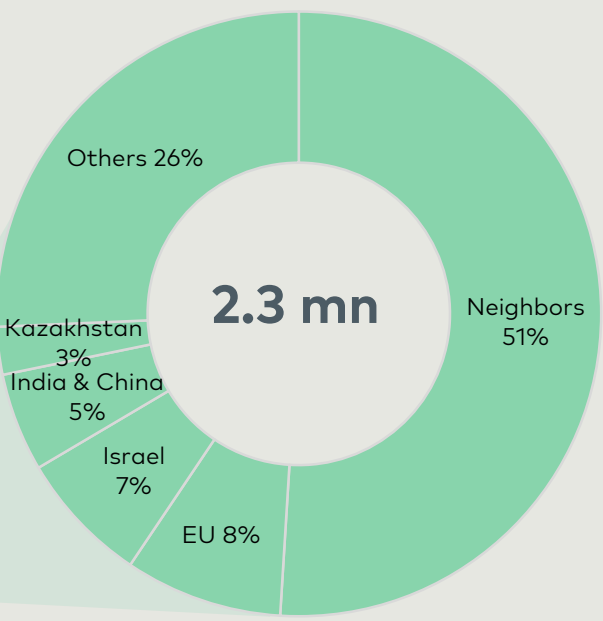
Tourism revenues



International tourists, mn



International tourists by country, 1H25

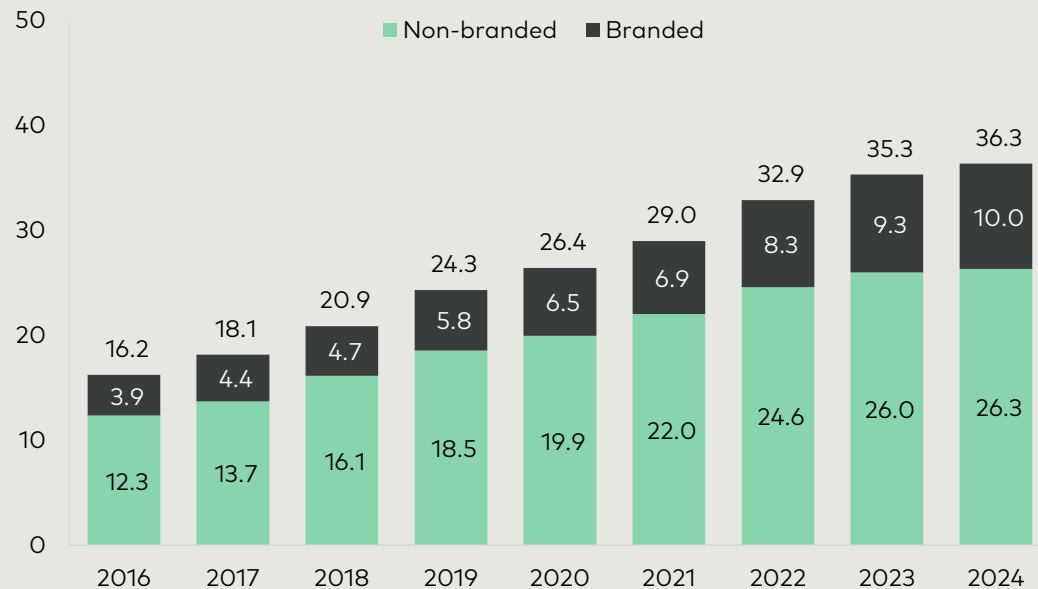


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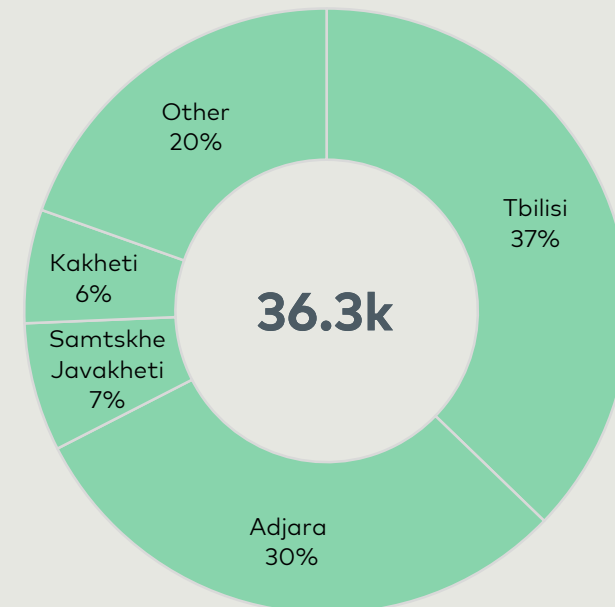


Hotel industry is one of the most attractive sectors for investors with growing interest in Georgia's regions

Number of hotel room stock in Georgia, '000



Number of hotel room stock by regions, 2024

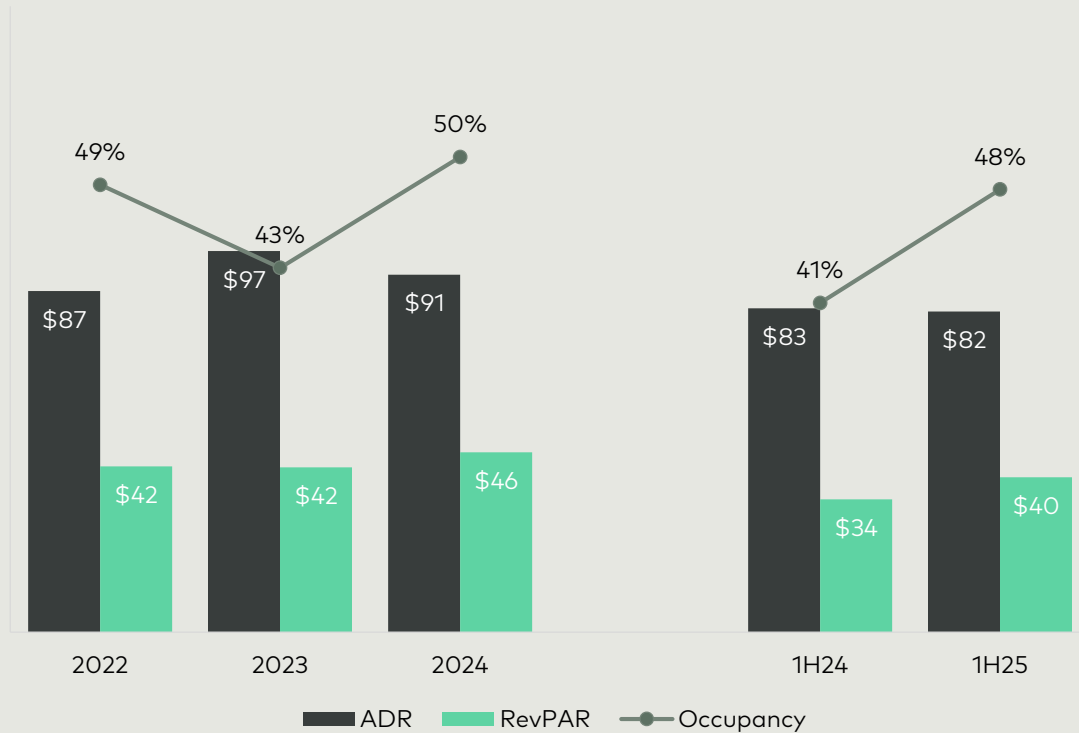


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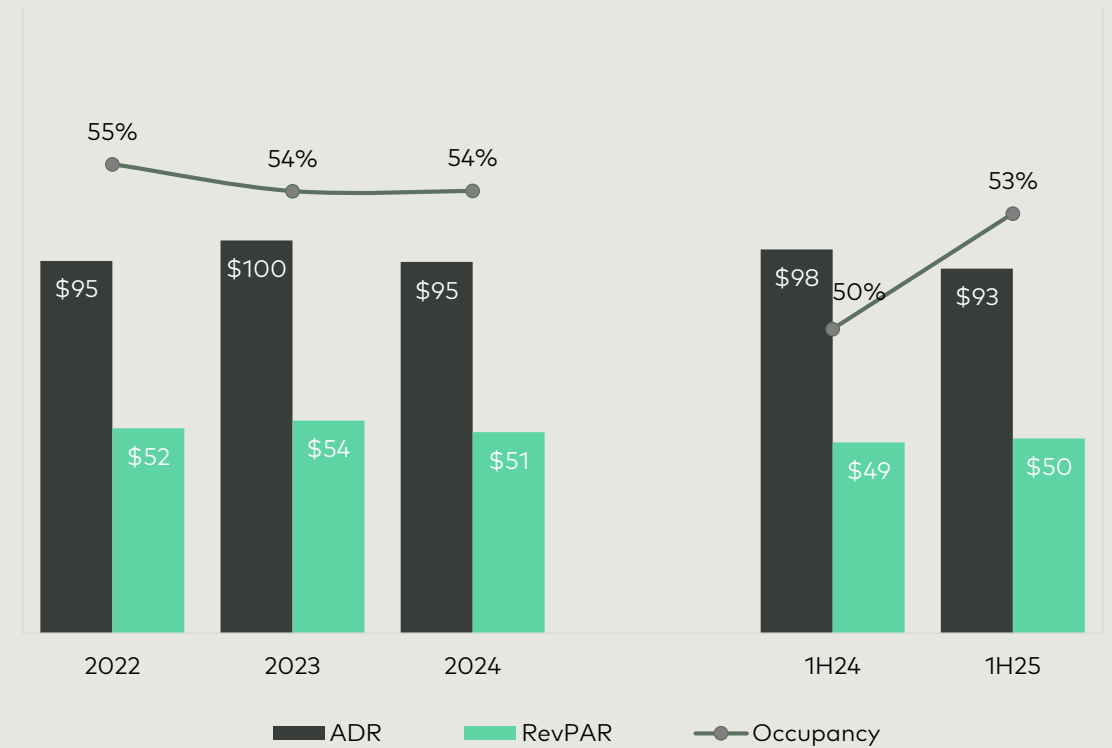


Hotel revenues are increasing amid growing tourist demand

Selected hotel KPIs in Batumi



Selected hotel KPIs in Tbilisi



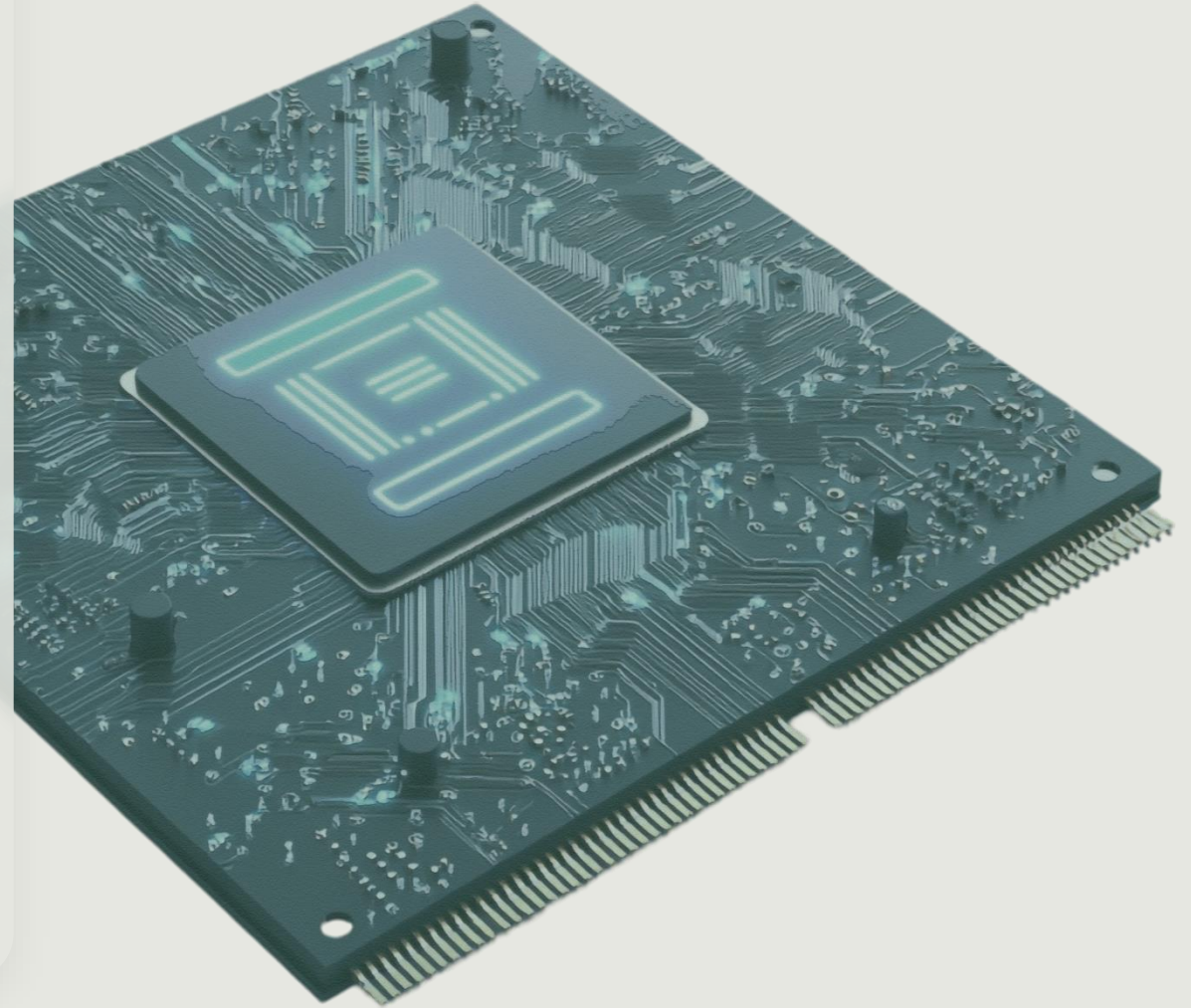
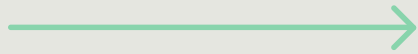
Source: STR Global, Galt and Taggart

Note: Prices are incl. VAT



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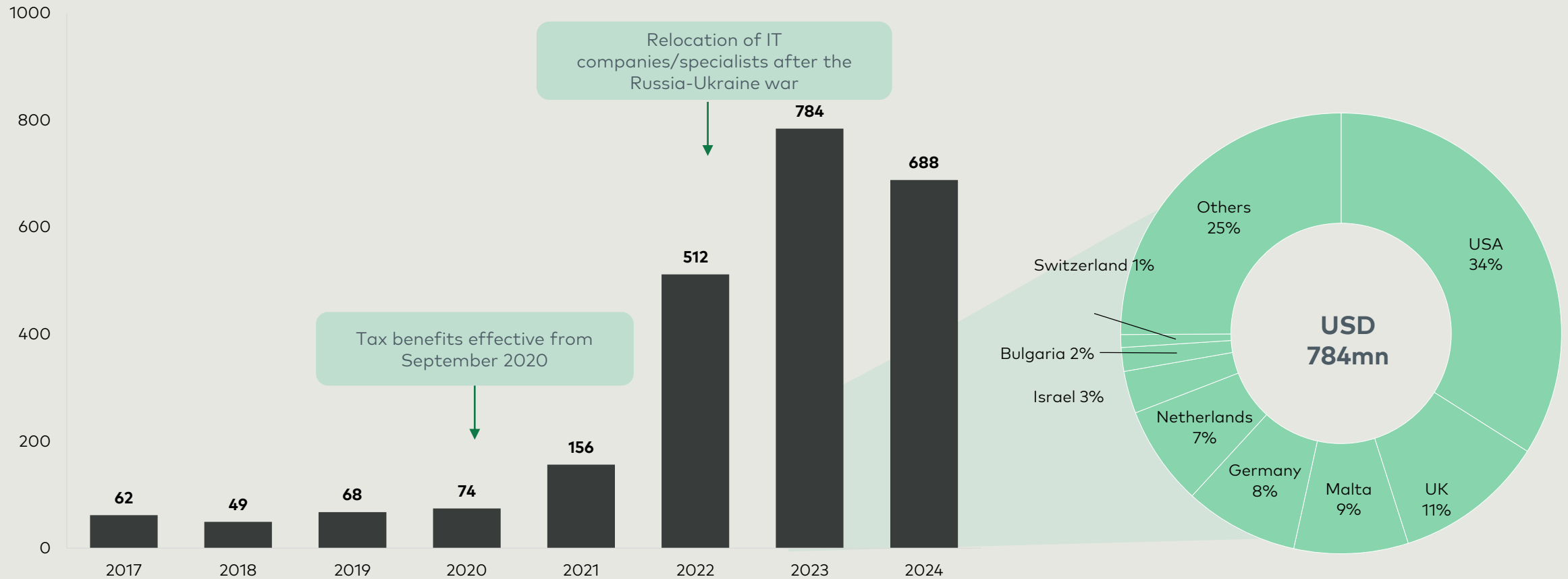
IT





IT is a fast-growing, export-oriented sector

IT services exports from Georgia, USD mn



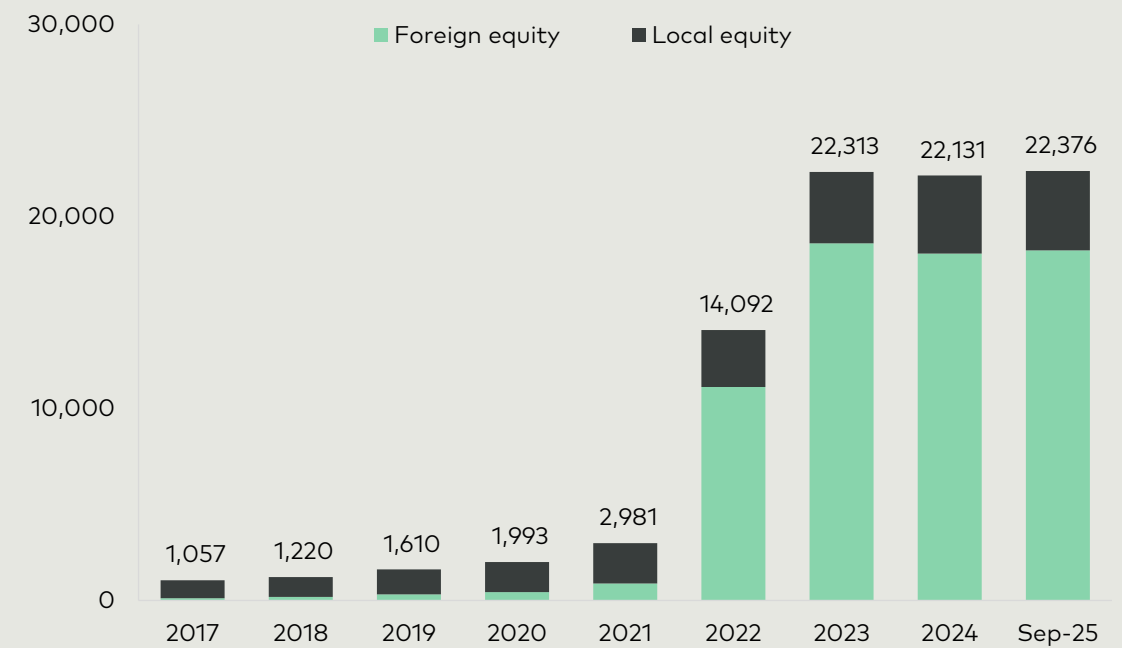


Tax incentives attracted global players, boosting exports

Tax comparison: IT sector vs standard rate

	Tax rate for IT sector	Standard rate
Corporate income tax on distributed profit	5%	15%
Personal income tax	5%	20%
VAT	0%	18%
Dividend tax	0%	5%

Number of IT companies operating in Georgia by ownership



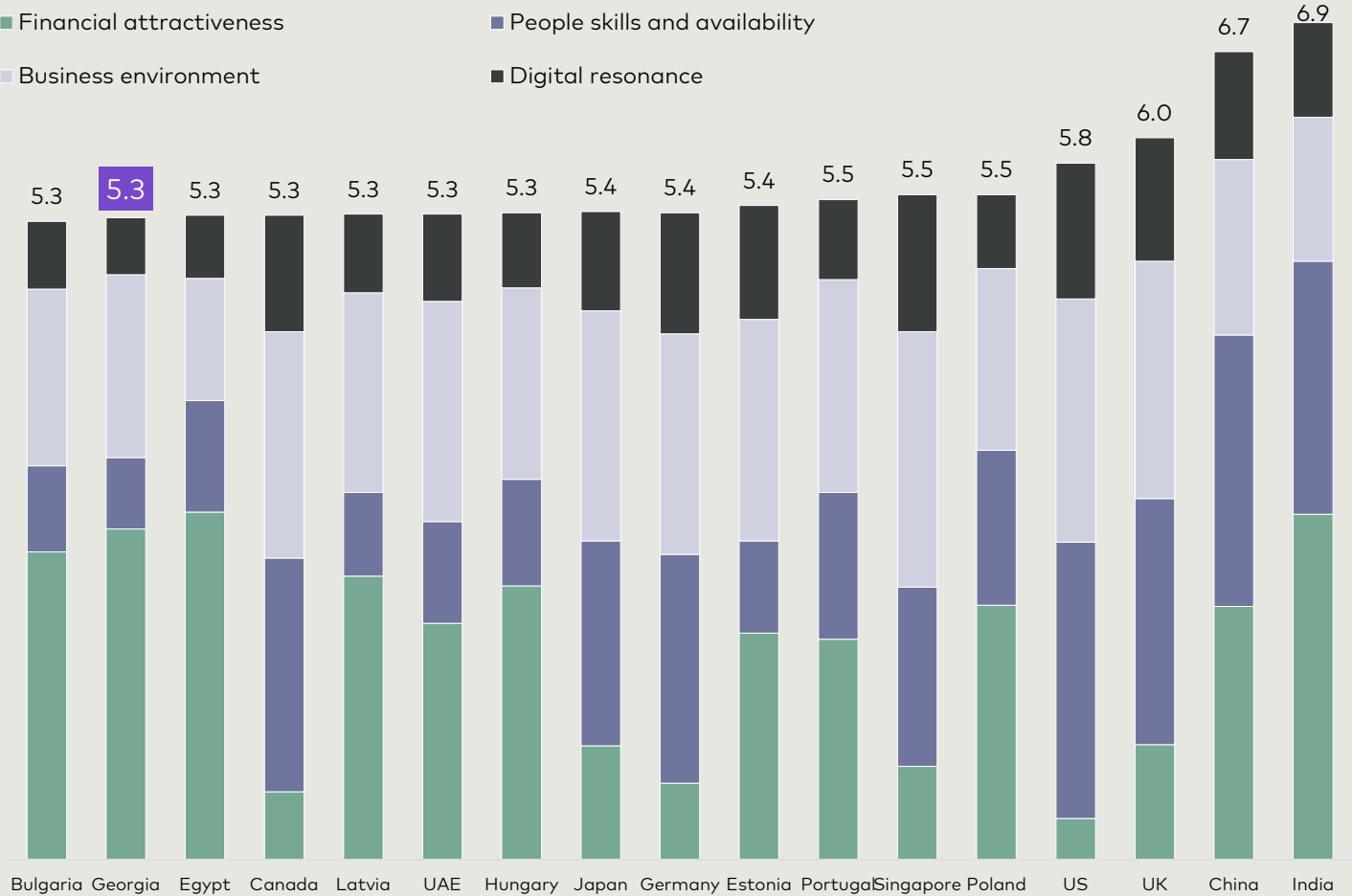
Selected
int'l companies
in Georgia





Georgia's affordability and business-friendly environment supports IT sector growth potential

Global Services Location Index, 2023



- 1. **Financial attractiveness:** Labor and infrastructure costs
- 2. **People skills and availability:** Quantity and quality of talent
- 3. **Business environment:** Political, economic, regulatory and cultural aspects that affect the ease of doing business
- 4. **Digital resonance:** The digital skills of the workforce and the adoption of digital technologies by businesses

Source: Kearney



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